Graduates in the Vernacular Section of the Education Department.

127. *MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of graduates in the Vernacular Section of the Education Department who have not been given even acting appointments in the graduate scale;

(*b*) whether preference is given to the persons referred to in part (*a*), when appointments are made in the graduate scale; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, the reasons for the same?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) 31.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Persons whose names are in the waiting list have to be preferred as they generally have better qualifications in addition to acting claims.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With regard to part (*c*), may I know the number of persons included in the waiting list?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): 57, I think.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Have all these 57 hands qualifications superior to the graduates acting in the undergraduate scale?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes. Sir; I believe so.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I have an idea of such 'superior' qualifications, Sir?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): They might have passed the B. A. Degree Examination in the first attempt. Some of them might have taken higher classes in the examination. The college careers of the applicants are looked into. People who have passed the B. A. Degree Examination in their first attempt are always preferred to those who have been able to pass only after persistent attempts. If the career of these 31 people is looked into, it will be found that they passed the B. A. Examination after persistent attempts.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Is it persistent attempt that is the disqualification of these 31 people?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): They made several attempts to pass the B. A. Examination thereby showing that they are inferior graduates to others.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): The member was saying "If it is looked into, it will be found". Has he ascertained?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Is there no second class graduates among these 31 persons?

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Am I to understand that Government will not give preference to these people over those in the waiting list?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): If better qualified men are available, they cannot have any preference.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Am I to understand that those graduates, who have acting claims, will have to wait until the Government find that there are better qualified men available anywhere?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): There are no acting claimants among these 31. They have not acted in the graduate list. Those who have not acted in the graduate list cannot be preferred to candidates with brilliant academic qualifications coming from outside.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): The fact that they have been in the under-graduate scale for a number of years will never be considered in preference to the claim of a person who, in the opinion of the Director is better qualified. Is that the attitude?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Am I to understand that the only criterion is whether they have passed in the First Class?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The criterion is whether they have passed in the First Class or the Second Class or whether they are trained.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Is that the criterion for trained graduates acting in the under-graduate scale?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): A trained graduate in the list will be preferred to an un-trained graduate from outside the list. But there are so many people already in the list who are trained.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Are these graduates taken for training?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Am I to understand that after training they will be given preference to graduates outside the Department?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): If there are trained graduates outside with better degrees, they will be preferred.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I ask whether any person, who is less qualified than any one of the 31 referred to, will be given preference over these 31?

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir.

The Kallara-Aruvipuram trace.

128. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the area of the Vamanapuram, Nellanad and Pullanpara *pakuthies*, separately and put together ;

(*b*) the *pakuthi*-war, as well as total, population of the above *pakuthies* ;

(*c*) the extent and the names of the roads that exist in those *pakuthies* ;

(*d*) whether they are aware that the eastern portions of the above *pakuthies* are malaria-affected ;

(*e*) whether they are aware that the above *pakuthies* are thickly populated ;

(*f*) whether they are aware that the Kallara- Aruvipuram trace lies across the above *pakuthies* ; and

(*g*) why this trace is not converted into a cart road ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) :

(*a*) & (*b*)

	Area in Square miles.	*Population.*
Vamanapuram ...	29·71	14,001
Nellanad ..	7·12	6,638
Pullanpara ..	13·74	7,278
Total ...	50·57	27,917

(*c*) 1. M. C. Road $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles.
2. Venjaramood road $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles,
3. Venjaramood-Attingal road 2 miles.

Total $12\frac{1}{4}$ miles.

(*d*) Only the eastern portions of Vamanapuram and Pullanpara *pakuthies* are affected by malaria.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) Because the lands have not been handed over as promised by the people and the road not formed as per Ryots' Roads Rules.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): With reference to part (*d*) of the question, may I ask whether the roads referred to pass throughout the length of these *pakuthies* ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I have no information on that.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the Government are aware that the conversion of the Kallara-Aruvipuram trace will benefit the inhabitants of these *pakuthies* ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I do not know that.

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